ted by the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan in such a way that certain categories of employees including PGTs, on promotion are denied posting in—

— the State in which pre-promotion station is located as well as

— the State of domicile of the concerned employee.

In fact, as per correct interpretation of this rule, promotional postings to State of domicile—so long as that State in other than the State of pre-promotion posting should not devided.

The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan does not consider it appropriate to provide for promotion to posts involving managerial duties including to posts of Vice-Principals on the basis of mere seniority-cum-fitness.

The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan agrees with the interpretation that promotional posting can be to a State of domicile so long as it is a State other than the State of pre-promotion posting—subject to availability of vacancy;

Regularisation and continuation of jobs of NCC Officers

1767. SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that cases of some NCC Officers who have completed 50 years of age after 13th February, 1987, are being considered by the Centre for regularisation and for continuation in the jobs;

(b) if so, what is the number of such NCC officers; and

(c) by when Government are likely to finalise the case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 171 Officers.

(c) No definite time schedule can be given.

Deprivation of the retried Defence Officers of the membership of Defence Services Officers Welfare Institute

1768. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the retired officers of Defence have been deprived of membership of the Defence Service Officers' Welfare Institute; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) and (b) The Defence Service Officers Institute, Dhaula Kuan is not a Government Organisation. The Institute is administered according to its own rules and regulations by its own governing body. Retired Services' officers as a class have not been deprived of their membership of the Institute.

अन्तरिक्ष विभाग द्वारा ग्रामीण विकास संबंधी शुरू किया गया कार्यक्रम

1769. **श्री राम नरेश यादव** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि अन्तरिक्ष विभाग द्वारा ग्रामीण लोगों के निर्वाह संबंधी दशाओं में सुधार लाने के उद्देश्य से 1990–95 के वर्षों के लिए एक कार्य-योजना शुरू की जा रही है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उक्त कार्य-योजना की रूपरेखा क्या है ; और

(ग) इस कार्य-योजना से कुल कितने ग्रामीण लोगों के लाभान्वित होने की संभावना है ?

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री साथ में मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय में शिक्षा विभाग में अतिरिक्त प्रभार (प्रो० एम० जी० के० मेनन) : (क) जी, हां ।